## Appendix 7B-1: Draft CERP Performance Measures

Two kinds of performance measures have been developed for the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP). The two types are 1) evaluation and 2) monitoring and assessment. The draft evaluation performance measures are presented in Table 7b-1-1. The draft monitoring and assessment performance measures are presented in Table 7b-1-2.

Table 7b-1-1. Draft Evaluation Performance Measures

| Number | Title  | Source   | Evaluation<br>Tool | Target   |
|--------|--|--|--------------------|--|
| NE1    | St. Lucie Salinity<br>Envelope   | St. Lucie Estuary/<br>Indian River<br>Lagoon CEM<br>Stressor                         | SFWMM              | No more than 10 extreme high flow (>3,000 cfs) events in a 31-year period of record and no more than 18 high flow (2,000- to 3,000-cfs) events in a 31-year period of record |
| NE2    | Lake Worth Salinity<br>Envelope  | C&SF Restudy   | SFWMM              | Inflow to achieve 23-35 ppt salinity (0-500 cfs)   |
| NE3    | Caloosahatchee<br>Estuary Salinity<br>Envelope   | Caloosahatchee<br>Estuary CEM<br>Stressor  | SFWMM              | Freshwater discharges from the C-43 canal at the S79 structure to be maintained between 300 and 2,800 cfs  |
| LO1    | Lake Okeechobee<br>Extremes in Low<br>Lake Stages  | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Stressor  | SFWMM              | No events below 11 ft; no events below 12 ft for >12 months  |
| LO2    | Lake Okeechobee<br>Extremes in High<br>Lake Stages   | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Stressor  | SFWMM              | No events above 17 ft; no event above 15 ft >12 months   |
| LO3    | Spring Recession for<br>Lake Okeechobee  | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Stressor  | SFWMM              | Yearly stage decline from near 15.5 ft to near 12.5 ft, January to June, with no reversal >0.5 ft/month  |
| GE1    | Number and Severity<br>of Dry Events for the<br>Greater Everglades                                   | Everglades Ridge<br>and Slough CEM<br>Stressor                                       | SFWMM              | NSM v5.0 target envelopes for Ridge and Slough indicator regions   |
| GE2    | Hydroperiod in the<br>Greater Everglades   | Everglades Ridge<br>and Slough CEM<br>Stressor                                       | SFWMM              | NSM v5.0 target envelopes for each landscape type  |
| GE3    | Extreme High and<br>Low Events in the<br>Greater Everglades  | Big Cypress, Marl<br>Prairie, and<br>Everglades Ridge<br>and Slough CEMs<br>Stressor | SFWMM              | NSM v5.0 target envelopes for each landscape type  |
| GE4    | Seasonal Amplitude<br>and Interannual<br>Variability of Water<br>Levels in the Greater<br>Everglades | Big Cypress, Marl<br>Prairie, and<br>Everglades Ridge<br>and Slough CEMs<br>Stressor | SFWMM              | NSM v5.0 targets for multiyear patterns of amplitude and variability   |

| Number | Title  | Source  | Evaluation<br>Tool | Target  |
|--------|--|---|--------------------|---|
| GE5    | Overland Flow<br>Volume, Velocity,<br>Timing, and<br>Distribution                        | Everglades Total<br>System CEM<br>Stressor      | SFWMM              | NSM v5.0 predictions of regional flow patterns in the remaining Greater Everglades  |
| GE6    | Water Depth Ranges<br>Relative to Tree<br>Island Elevation                               | Everglades Ridge<br>and Slough CEMs<br>Stressor | SFWMM              | NSM 4.5 predictions of stages consistent with tree island health  |
| GE7    | Total System<br>Phosphorous Levels   | Greater<br>Everglades CEM<br>Stressor           | ELM                | Recover soil and water phosphorus concentrations consistent with predrainage periphyton and vegetation patterns   |
| GE8    | Total System<br>Nitrogen Levels  | Greater<br>Everglades CEM<br>Stressor           | ELM                | Recover water nitrogen concentrations consistent with predrainage periphyton and vegetation patterns  |
| SE1    | Surface Water<br>Discharges to<br>Biscayne Bay   | Biscayne Bay<br>CEM Stressor                    | SFWMM              | Dry/wet season: Snake Creek - 93,100/66,5000 ac ft North Bay - 41,000/99,000 ac ft Miami River - 60,000/132,000 ac ft Central Bay - 83,000/161,000 ac ft South Bay - 68,000/158,000 ac ft   |
| SE2    | Florida Bay: Salinity<br>in Coastal Basins<br>Estimated from<br>Upstream Water<br>Stages | Florida Bay CEMs<br>Stressor                    | SFWMM              | Predicted stages at Gage NP67 and Gage P33 that produce lower and upper salinity levels in coastal basins.  NP67 lower/upper Joe Bay - 2.63 ft/2.04ft Little Madeira Bay - 2.82 ft/2.02 ft Terrapin Bay - 2.91 ft/1.92 ft Garfield Bight - 2.99 ft/1.97 ft  P33 lower/upper North River Mouth - 7.1 ft/6.2 ft |
| TS1    | Continuity: Water<br>Surface Elevations<br>Across Barriers                               | Total System CEM<br>Stressor                    | SFWMM              | Minimize stage difference across selected barriers  |
| WS1    | Lake Okeechobee<br>Service Area -<br>Frequency of Water<br>Restrictions                  | Florida Statutes<br>373.0361(2)(a)(1)           | SFWMM              | Provide at least a 1-in-10 level of service as indicated three or less water years simulated with water shortages in the 31-year period   |
| WS2    | Frequency of Water<br>Restrictions for the<br>Lower East Coast<br>Service Area           | Florida Statutes<br>373.0361(2)(a)(1)           | SFWMM              | Provide at least a 1-in-10 level of service as indicated three or less water years simulated with water shortages in the 31-year period   |
| WS3    | Potential for High<br>Water Levels in<br>South Miami-Dade<br>Agricultural Area           | C&SF Restudy                                    | SFWMM              | Water levels should lie below target stage duration curves, especially during wet periods (evaluation team made comparison at 10% frequency of stage duration)  |

| Number | Title   | Source                      | Evaluation<br>Tool | Target   |
|--------|---|-----------------------------|--------------------|--|
| WS4    | Prevent Saltwater<br>Intrusion of the<br>Biscayne Aquifer:<br>Meet MFL Criteria for<br>Biscayne Aquifer | Florida Statutes<br>373.044 | SFWMM              | Canal at Structure: Canal Stages C-51 at S-155: 7.80 ft NGVD C-16 at S-4: 7.80 ft NGVD C-15 at S-40: 7.80 ft NGVD Hillsboro Canal at G-56: 6.75 ft NGVD C-14 at S-37B: 6.50 ft NGVD C-13 at S-36: 3.80 ft NGVD North New River at G-54: 3.50 ft NGVD C-9 at S-29: 2.00 ft NGVD C-6 at S-26: 2.00 ft NGVD C-2 at S-25: 2.20 ft NGVD C-2 at S-22: 2.20 ft NGVD |
| WS5    | Prevent Saltwater<br>Intrusion of the<br>Biscayne Aquifer in<br>South Miami-Dade<br>County              | C&SF Restudy                | SFWMM              | Canal at Structure: Canal Stage<br>C-100A at S-123: 2.00 ft NGVD<br>C-1 at S-21: 2.00 ft NGVD<br>C-102 at S-21A: 2.00 ft NGVD<br>C-103 at S-20F: 2.00 ft NGVD  |

Table 7b-1-2. Draft Monitoring and Assessment Performance Measures

| NUMBER | TITLE  | SOURCE  | MONITORING<br>MODULE AND<br>SECTION  | RESTORATION EXPECTATIONS  |
|--------|--|---|--|---|
| NE1    | St. Lucie Estuary<br>Salinity Envelope         | St. Lucie Estuary/<br>Indian River<br>Lagoon CEM<br>Stressor                                    | Northern Estuaries   | Reestablish a salinity range<br>most favorable to juvenile<br>marine fish, shellfish,<br>oysters, and SAV;<br>estimated at 12-20 ppt for<br>oysters   |
| NE2    | Lake Worth Lagoon<br>Salinity Envelope         | C&SF Restudy  | Northern Estuaries   | Inflow to achieve minimum<br>bottom salinity of 23 ppt<br>during the wet season 0.5<br>mile north of the C-51 canal   |
| NE3    | Caloosahatchee<br>Estuary Salinity<br>Envelope | Caloosahatchee<br>Estuary CEM<br>Stressor   | Northern Estuaries   | Reestablish a salinity range<br>most favorable to SAV,<br>oysters, clams, juvenile fish<br>habitat, and blue crabs  |
| NE4    | Loxahatchee Estuary<br>Salinity Envelope       | C&SF Restudy (?)  | Northern Estuaries<br>[Section to be<br>transferred from<br>other water quality] |   |
| NE5    | Nearshore Reef                                 | St. Lucie Estuary/<br>Indian River<br>Lagoon CEM<br>Attribute                                   | Northern Estuaries   | Reduce siltation rates and salinity fluctuations in area and restore coral, fish, and macroinvertebrate community structures and biodiversity of reefs to 1970s baseline condition  |
| NE6    | Oysters  | St. Lucie Estuary/<br>Indian River<br>Lagoon and<br>Caloosahatchee<br>Estuary CEMs<br>Attribute | Northern Estuaries   | Increase the abundance and health of oysters in the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee Estuaries; restore oyster beds in suitable habitat and maintain habitat function of oyster beds for fish, crabs, and birds in the Caloosahatchee Estuary   |
| NE7    | Estuarine<br>Macroinvertebrates                | St. Lucie Estuary/<br>Indian River<br>Lagoon and<br>Caloosahatchee<br>Estuary CEMs<br>Attribute | Northern Estuaries   | Increase species richness, abundance, and diversity of benthic species in the St. Lucie Estuary to that typically found in a healthy estuarine community; obtain a normal distribution, population size, and condition across optimal salinity ranges for Rangia and Polymesoda in the low salinity areas of the Caloosahatchee Estuary |

| NUMBER | TITLE   | SOURCE  | MONITORING<br>MODULE AND<br>SECTION  | RESTORATION EXPECTATIONS   |
|--------|---|---|--|--|
| NE8    | Estuarine Fish  | St. Lucie Estuary/<br>Indian River<br>Lagoon and<br>Caloosahatchee<br>Estuary CEMs<br>Attribute             | Northern Estuaries   | Restore estuarine fish assemblages with abundance, taxonomic composition, diversity, and representation of life stages characteristic of targeted salinity regimes for each estuary; decrease fish abnormalities to less than 1% in the St. Lucie Estuary; maintain or enhance SAV habitat for juvenile fish |
| NE9    | Estuarine Submerged<br>Aquatic Vegetation                       | St. Lucie Estuary/ Indian River Lagoon and Caloosahatchee Estuary CEMs Attribute (Lake Worth, Loxahatchee?) | Northern Estuaries   | Increase cover of SAV beds<br>to areas of suitable habitat;<br>maintain flows needed to<br>achieve the proper salinity<br>range for SAV  |
| NE10   | Manatee Population<br>Abundance,<br>Distribution, and<br>Health | Caloosahatchee<br>Estuary CEM<br>Attribute<br>(other estuaries?)  | Northern Estuaries   | Maintain and enhance current habitat and foraging areas for manatees in the Caloosahatchee Estuary and in canals to promote species recovery, especially near the Florida Power and Light warm water refugia   |
| NE11   | Nutrient<br>Concentrations (TP<br>and TN)                       | Caloosahatchee Estuary, St. Lucie Estuary, Loxahatchee Estuary and Lake Worth Lagoon Stressor               | Northern Estuaries<br>[section to be<br>transferred from<br>other water quality] | Maintain or reduce<br>concentrations of TP and<br>TN in the estuaries at or<br>below state-recommended<br>criteria or those established<br>by applicable SWIM plans  |
| NE12   | Nutrient Loads (TP and TN)                                      | Caloosahatchee Estuary, St. Lucie Estuary, Loxahatchee Estuary and Lake Worth Lagoon Stressor               | Northern Estuaries<br>[section to be<br>transferred from<br>other water quality] | Maintain or reduce current<br>nutrient loads from inflows<br>to the estuaries to increase<br>cover of SAV and achieve<br>future TMDL targets<br>established for each<br>estuary  |
| NE13   | Algal Bloom<br>Frequency  | Caloosahatchee Estuary, St. Lucie Estuary, Loxahatchee and Lake Worth Lagoons Stressor                      | Northern Estuaries<br>[Section to be<br>added]                                   | Eliminate or reduce frequency of algal blooms and exceedances of chlorophyll <i>a</i> concentrations above 15 ppb  |
| NE14   | Water Clarity   | Caloosahatchee Estuary, St. Lucie Estuary, Loxahatchee and Lake Worth Lagoons Attribute                     | Northern Estuaries<br>[Section to be<br>added]                                   | Improve or cause no further degradation in existing water clarity to promote establishment of seagrasses and other SAV in estuaries  |

| NUMBER | TITLE  | SOURCE                             | MONITORING<br>MODULE AND<br>SECTION  | RESTORATION<br>EXPECTATIONS   |
|--------|--|------------------------------------|--|---|
| LO1    | Lake Okeechobee<br>Extremes in Low Lake<br>Stages                              | Lake<br>Okeechobee CEM<br>Stressor | Lake Okeechobee<br>[section to be<br>added]                                | No events below 11 feet; no events below 12 feet for >12 months   |
| LO2    | Lake Okeechobee<br>Extremes in High<br>Lake Stages                             | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Stressor    | Lake Okeechobee [section to be added]                                      | No events above 17 ft; no event above 15 ft >12 months  |
| LO3    | Spring Recession for<br>Lake Okeechobee  | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Stressor    | Lake Okeechobee<br>[section to be<br>added]                                | Yearly stage decline from<br>near 15.5 ft to near 12.5 ft,<br>from January to June, with<br>no reversal >0.5 ft/month   |
| LO4    | Lake Okeechobee<br>Native Vegetation<br>Mosaic (Littoral Plant<br>Communities) | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Attribute   | Lake Okeechobee 2.4.1 (1)  | Reduction of exotic plants<br>and cattail; increase in<br>spatial extent of native<br>marsh and upland plants   |
| LO5    | Lake Okeechobee<br>Native Vegetation<br>Mosaic (SAV and<br>Bulrush)            | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Attribute   | Lake Okeechobee<br>2.4.1(1) for bulrush<br>and<br>2.4.1 (2) for SAV        | Widespread dense beds of selective native submerged plants including Vallisneria and Potamogeton in the north, west, and south nearshore regions of the lake; expansion of bulrush community  |
| LO6    | Lake Okeechobee<br>Fish and Aquatic<br>Fauna (Fish and<br>Invertebrates)       | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Attribute   | Lake Okeechobee<br>2.4.1 (3);<br>see GE 11                                 | Increased diversity and extent of forage fish and pollutant-sensitive taxa of invertebrates   |
| LO7    | Lake Okeechobee<br>Apple Snails and<br>Snail Kite Population<br>and Nesting    | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Attribute   | Lake Okeechobee<br>2.4.1(3) for apple<br>snails and<br>2.4.1 (4) for kites | Increased density and stability of snail kite population in the littoral zone; increase the average number of Snail Kite nests from the 1998-2000 value of 2.67 to a short-term value of approximately 9 nests/year and a long-term value of over 11 nests/year; have at least one chick fledge from more than 15% of the nests |
| LO8    | Lake Okeechobee<br>Wading Bird Feeding<br>Aggregations and<br>Nesting          | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Attribute   | Lake Okeechobee<br>2.4.1 (4)   | Increase the frequency of large feeding aggregations within Lake Okeechobee from December to March for the white ibis, great egret, and great blue heron; in most years, increase the number of nests during December/January   |

| NUMBER | TITLE   | SOURCE                             | MONITORING<br>MODULE AND<br>SECTION         | RESTORATION EXPECTATIONS   |
|--------|---|------------------------------------|---|--|
| LO9    | Lake Okeechobee<br>Fish Population<br>Density, Age<br>Structure, and<br>Condition | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Attribute   | Lake Okeechobee<br>2.4.1 (4)                | Improved density, age structure, and condition of black crappie, largemouth bass, and brim in the littoral and nearshore regions of the lake; reduced relative abundance of gizzard shad, threadfin shad, and blue tilapia |
| LO10   | Lake Okeechobee<br>Alligator Populations<br>and Condition                         | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Attribute   | Lake Okeechobee 2.4.1 (4)                   | Maintain present population density and condition of alligators in the lake  |
| LO11   | Lake Okeechobee<br>Shoreline Organic<br>Berm                                      | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Attribute   | Lake Okeechobee 2.4.1 (1)                   | Reduce the frequency of occurrence and spatial extent of a berm of dead plant material and sediments along the western lakeshore   |
| LO12   | Lake Okeechobee<br>Total Phosphorus<br>Concentration                              | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM<br>Stressor | Lake Okeechobee 2.4.2                       | Pelagic total phosphorus<br>long-term average below 40<br>ppb  |
| LO13   | Lake Okeechobee<br>Total Nitrogen:<br>Phosphorus Ratio                            | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM<br>Stressor | Lake Okeechobee 2.4.2                       | Pelagic total phosphorus<br>long-term average ratio<br>near 20:1   |
| LO14   | Lake Okeechobee<br>Diatom:<br>Cyanobacteria Ratio                                 | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Attribute   | Lake Okeechobee<br>[section to be<br>added] | Pelagic long-term ratio above 1.5:1  |
| LO15   | Lake Okeechobee<br>Algal Bloom<br>Frequency                                       | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Attribute   | Lake Okeechobee<br>[section to be<br>added] | Less than 5% of pelagic with >40 ppb chlorophyll a   |
| LO16   | Lake Okeechobee<br>Water Clarity  | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Attribute   | Lake Okeechobee<br>[section to be<br>added] | Secchi disk visible on lake<br>bottom in nearshore zone<br>from May to September to<br>allow adequate light for<br>submerged plant growth  |
| LO17   | Lake Okeechobee<br>Phosphorus Loads   | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Stressor    | Lake Okeechobee 2.4.2                       | Long-term average<br>phosphorus loads into the<br>lake at or below 140 metric<br>tons/year, including inputs<br>from atmospheric<br>deposition   |

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|--------|--|---|--|--|
| LO18   | Lake Okeechobee<br>Class I Water Quality<br>Parameters   | Lake Okeechobee<br>CEM Stressor   | Lake Okeechobee 2.4.2  | No increase in exceedances of Class I standards due to cumulative effects of CERP activities   |
| GE1    | Number and Severity<br>of Dry Events for the<br>Greater Everglades   | Everglades Ridge<br>and Slough, Marl<br>Prairie, Mangrove<br>Estuary, and Big<br>Cypress CEM<br>Stressor  | Greater Everglades<br>4.7  | NSM 4.5 (or later)<br>envelopes throughout the<br>Greater Everglades   |
| GE2    | Hydroperiod in the<br>Greater Everglades   | Everglades Ridge<br>and Slough, Marl<br>Prairie, Mangrove<br>Estuary, and Big<br>Cypress CEM<br>Stressor  | Greater Everglades<br>4.7  | NSM 4.5 (or later)<br>envelopes throughout the<br>Greater Everglades   |
| GE3    | Extreme High and<br>Low Events in the<br>Greater Everglades  | Everglades Ridge<br>and Slough, Marl<br>Prairie, Mangrove<br>Estuary, and Big<br>Cypress CEMs<br>Stressor | Greater Everglades<br>4.7  | NSM 4.5 (or later)<br>envelopes throughout the<br>Greater Everglades   |
| GE4    | Seasonal Amplitude<br>and Interannual<br>Variability of Water<br>Levels in the Greater<br>Everglades                                 | Everglades Ridge<br>and Sough, Marl<br>Prairie, Mangrove<br>Estuary, and Big<br>Cypress CEMs<br>Stressor  | Greater Everglades<br>4.7  | NSM 4.5 (or later) multiyear<br>patterns of amplitude and<br>variability throughout the<br>Greater Everglades  |
| GE5    | Overland Flow<br>Volume, Velocity,<br>Timing and<br>Distribution   | Everglades Total<br>System CEM<br>Stressor  | Greater Everglades<br>4.7  | NSM 4.5 (or later) predictions of regional flow patterns in the remaining Greater Everglades   |
| GE6    | Total Phosphorus<br>Concentrations in<br>Water Column, Soil<br>and Plant Tissues and<br>Effects on Marsh<br>Community<br>Composition | Big Cypress,<br>Ridge and Slough,<br>and Marl Prairie<br>CEMs Stressor                                    | Greater Everglades<br>4.3.2 for soil and<br>4.8 for surface<br>water [section<br>to be reviewed] | Restoration target for total phosphorus varies by geographic area, but overall target is to reduce total phosphorus concentrations in water and soil throughout the Greater Everglades system to promote recovery of periphyton communities; numerical target for TP will be concentration established by the ERC or as per the default value of 10 ppb in the EFA |
| GE7    | Wetland Landscape<br>Patterns: Freshwater<br>and Estuarine<br>Vegetation Mosaics   | Big Cypress,<br>Ridge and Slough,<br>Marl Prairie, and<br>Mangrove Estuary<br>CEMs Attribute              | Greater Everglades<br>4.1.2  | Cease loss of pattern,<br>location, directionality, and<br>spatial extent of the Greater<br>Everglades communities   |
| GE8    | Wetland Landscape<br>Patterns: Ridge and<br>Slough Community<br>Sustainability   | Ridge and Slough<br>CEM Attribute   | Greater Everglades 4.1.3   | Maintain and restore processes that recover and sustain tree island and slough patterns  |

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|--------|--|---|---|--|
| GE9    | Wetland Landscape<br>Patterns: Tidal Creek<br>Sustainability   | Mangrove Estuary<br>CEM<br>Attribute  | Greater Everglades<br>4.1.4   | Maintain and restore processes that recover and sustain tidal creeks   |
| GE10   | Wetland Landscape<br>Patterns: Marl Prairie<br>Cape Sable Sparrow<br>Habitat   | Marl Prairie<br>CEM<br>Attribute  | Greater Everglades<br>4.1.5   | Recover tussock plant<br>community habitats<br>supporting Cape Sable<br>Sparrows   |
| GE11   | Wetland Trophic<br>Relationships:<br>Regional Populations<br>of Fishes, Crayfish,<br>Grass Shrimp, and<br>Herps      | Big Cypress,<br>Ridge and Slough,<br>Marl Prairie, and<br>Mangrove Estuary<br>CEMs<br>Attribute | Greater Everglades<br>4.2.1 and 4.2.2   | Recover production and size distributions, abundance, and seasonal densities consistent with predrainage hydropatterns and salinities in freshwater and estuarine wetlands                         |
| GE12   | Wetland Trophic<br>Relationships:<br>Wading Bird Foraging<br>Patterns in<br>Overdrained<br>Wetlands                  | Marl Prairie CEM<br>Attribute   | Greater Everglades<br>4.2.3 (expanded to<br>all Greater<br>Everglades until<br>analysis of SRF<br>data reveal value of<br>continuing SRF) | Increase flock sizes and numbers of birds foraging in overdrained southern marl prairies   |
| GE13   | Wetland Trophic<br>Relationships:<br>Wading Bird Nesting<br>Patterns   | Total System (?)<br>CEM Attribute<br>Move to Total<br>System section?                           | Greater Everglades<br>and Lake<br>Okeechobee<br>4.2.4   | Recover predrainage patterns of colony locations, timing and abundance, including recovery of estuarine super colonies (locations and frequency)   |
| GE14   | Wetland Trophic<br>Relationships:<br>American Alligator<br>Distribution, Size,<br>Nesting, and<br>Condition (Health) | Big Cypress,<br>Ridge and Slough,<br>Marl Prairie, and<br>Mangrove Estuary<br>CEMs Attribute    | Greater Everglades<br>4.2.5   | Recover abundance,<br>distribution, and health<br>patterns consistent with<br>predrainage hydrology,<br>including return of<br>predrainage abundance to<br>marl prairies and mangrove<br>estuaries |
| GE15   | Wetland Trophic<br>Relationships:<br>Periphyton Mat<br>Production and<br>Composition                                 | Ridge and Slough,<br>and Marl Prairie<br>CEMs<br>Attribute                                      | Greater Everglades<br>4.3.1   | Increase periphyton mat<br>cover, organic content,<br>percent noncalcareous<br>algae and diatom<br>composition, and marl<br>accretion  |
| GE16   | Wetland Trophic<br>Relationships:<br>Mangrove Forest<br>Production/Soil<br>Accretion                                 | Mangrove Estuary<br>CEM<br>Attribute  | Greater Everglades<br>[section to be<br>added]  | Sustain or restore forest production and soil accretion  |
| GE17   | American Crocodile:<br>Juvenile Growth and<br>Survival   | Mangrove Estuary<br>and Florida Bay<br>CEMs<br>Attribute  | Greater Everglades<br>and Southern<br>Estuaries<br>4.4  | Increase juvenile growth<br>and survival in Florida Bay<br>and adjacent mainland<br>estuaries to match these<br>parameters at North Key<br>Largo and Turkey Point                                  |
| GE18   | Total Phosphorus<br>Loads at Inflows to<br>Everglades Protection<br>Area   | Big Cypress,<br>Ridge and Slough,<br>and Marl Prairie<br>Stressor                               | Greater Everglades<br>[section to be<br>added]  | Reduce TP loads from<br>inflow structures into the<br>Greater Everglades; load<br>reduction targets vary by<br>geographic area   |

| NUMBER | TITLE  | SOURCE   | MONITORING<br>MODULE AND<br>SECTION            | RESTORATION EXPECTATIONS  |
|--------|--|--|--|---|
| GE19   | Sulfate<br>Concentrations                      | Big Cypress,<br>Ridge and Slough,<br>and Marl Prairie<br>Stressor<br>From: South<br>Florida Ecosystem<br>Assessment:<br>Phase I/II -<br>Everglades<br>Stressor<br>Interactions (EPA<br>2001) | Greater Everglades<br>[section to be<br>added] | Maintain or reduce concentrations to 1 ppm or less in surface water throughout the Greater Everglades   |
| GE20   | Conductivity                                   | Big Cypress,<br>Ridge and Slough,<br>and Marl Prairie<br>Stressor<br>Source???   | Greater Everglades<br>[section to be<br>added] | Maintain or reduce to Florida Class III standard of 1,275 umhos/cm or maintain a less than 20% increase in deseasonilized temperature-corrected conductivity at all stations  |
| GE21   | Coastal Salinity<br>Gradients                  | Mangrove Estuary<br>CEM Attribute  | Greater Everglades 3.2.2 (?)                   | Push the salinity gradients seaward in the mangrove estuaries due to restoration of pre-drainage freshwater flow volume, timing and distribution. Maintain broad coastal gradients of salinity in the southern Everglades, due to the restoration predrainage freshwater flow, given predicted rates of sea level rise during the nest century. |
| SE1    | Surface Water<br>Discharges to<br>Biscayne Bay | Biscayne Bay<br>CEM Stressor   | Southern Estuaries                             | Measure freshwater flows into Biscayne Bay at all structures to determine salinity effects  |
| SE2    | Southern Estuaries<br>Salinity Pattern         | Florida Bay,<br>Biscayne Bay, and<br>Mangrove Estuary<br>CEMs Stressor   | Southern Estuaries                             | For Florida Bay, recover a range of conditions, including less abrupt salinity changes, reduced extremes, reduced hypersaline conditions, lower salinities; for Biscayne Bay, recover mesohaline salinity patterns in nearshore waters; for mainland mangrove estuary, recover oligohaline salinity conditions in coastal lakes and bays.       |

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| SE3    | Submerged Aquatic<br>Vegetation<br>Distribution,<br>Abundance and<br>Community Structure | Florida Bay,<br>Biscayne Bay and<br>Mangrove Estuary<br>CEMs Attribute    | Southern Estuaries                                | For Florida Bay, recover seagrass beds over much of bay; replace <i>Thalassia</i> monoculture with mixed <i>Thalassia/Halodule</i> ; for Biscayne Bay, recover <i>Halodule</i> in nearshore waters; for mangrove estuaries, increase cover and duration of <i>Chara</i> , <i>Ruppia</i> , <i>Najas</i> and <i>Utricularia</i> . |
| SE4    | Juvenile Pink Shrimp<br>and Associated<br>Epifauna                                       | Florida Bay and<br>Biscayne Bay<br>CEMs Attribute                         | Southern Estuaries                                | Increase abundance of juvenile shrimp; increase abundance and diversity of epifaunal fish and macroinvertebrates associated with submerged aquatic vegetation, including the southwest coast.   |
| SE5    | Shoreline Fish<br>Community  | Florida Bay and<br>Biscayne Bay<br>CEMs Attribute                         | Southern Estuaries                                | Increase diversity and density of fish assemblages in nearshore waters.   |
| SE6    | Juvenile Spotted<br>Seatrout   | Florida Bay CEM<br>Attribute  | Southern Estuaries                                | Increase distribution and abundance of juvenile trout in north-central and western Florida Bay.   |
| SE7    | Roseate Spoonbill<br>Nesting Patterns in<br>Northeast Florida Bay                        | Florida Bay and<br>Mangrove Estuary<br>CEMs Attribute                     | Southern Estuaries                                | To restore the number of nesting pairs of spoonbills to the northeast area of Florida Bay.  |
| SE8    | Nutrient<br>Concentrations<br>(TP and TN)  | Florida Bay,<br>Biscayne Bay and<br>Mangrove Estuary<br>CEMs<br>Stressor  | Southern Estuaries<br>[section to be<br>reviewed] | Reduce estuarine water<br>nutrient concentrations so<br>as not to exceed current<br>levels and to maintain or<br>enhance oligotrophic<br>conditions   |
| SE9    | Nutrient Loads<br>(TP and TN)  | Florida Bay,<br>Biscayne Bay, and<br>Mangrove Estuary<br>CEMS<br>Stressor | Southern Estuaries<br>(section to be<br>reviewed] | Reduce nutrient loads to<br>the estuaries so as not to<br>exceed current levels and<br>to meet future TMDL<br>targets established for the<br>estuaries  |
| SE10   | Algal Bloom<br>Frequency   | Florida Bay and<br>Biscayne Bay<br>Stressor                               | Southern Estuaries [section to be reviewed]       | Decrease or cause no net increase in frequency of algal blooms from current conditions  |
| SE11   | Water Clarity (PAR)  | Florida Bay and<br>Biscayne Bay<br>Attribute                              | Southern Estuaries<br>[section to be<br>reviewed] | Improve or cause no further degradation in existing water clarity to promote establishment of seagrasses and other SAV.   |
| TS1    | Continuity: Water<br>Surface Elevations<br>Across Barriers                               | Total System CEM<br>Stressor  | Greater Everglades                                | Eliminate stage differences across any remaining internal structures  |

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| TS2    | Sheetflow: Volume of<br>Water Across<br>Transects in the<br>WCAs and ENP                                       | Total System CEM<br>Stressor          | Greater Everglades  | Restore overland flow to similar volume and timing of flow predicted by NSM 4.5  |
| TS3    | Mercury<br>Bioaccumulation   | Total System CEM<br>Stressor          | Greater<br>Everglades,<br>Northern Estuaries,<br>Lake Okeechobee,<br>Southern Estuaries | Decrease or cause no net increase in levels of mercury bioaccumulation in tissue of fish and/or fisheating fauna; levels should not exceed biological effect thresholds established by the state |
| WS1    | Lake Okeechobee<br>Service Area -<br>Frequency of Water<br>Restrictions  | Florida Statutes<br>373.0361(2)(a)(1) | Water Supply and Flood Protection   | Meet demands on water supply during droughts up to a 1-in-10 year frequency  |
| WS2    | Frequency of Water<br>Restrictions for the<br>Lower East Coast<br>Service Area                                 | Florida Statutes<br>373.0361(2)(a)(1) | Water Supply and Flood Protection   | Meet demands on water supply during droughts up to a 1-in-10 year frequency  |
| WS3    | Potential for High<br>Water Levels in the<br>South Miami-Dade<br>Agricultural Area                             | C&SF Restudy                          | Water Supply and Flood Protection   | Maintain existing flood protection in accordance with applicable law   |
| WS4    | Prevent Saltwater<br>Intrusion of Biscayne<br>Bay Aquifer and Meet<br>MFL Criteria for the<br>Biscayne Aquifer | Florida Statute<br>373.044            | Water Supply and Flood Protection   | Monitor canal stages at coastal structures and monitor Biscayne aquifer levels and salinity  |
| WS5    | Prevent Saltwater<br>Intrusion of Biscayne<br>Bay Aquifer in South<br>Miami-Dade County                        | C&SF Restudy                          | Water Supply and Flood Protection   | Monitor canal stages at coastal structures and monitor Biscayne aquifer levels and salinity  |